



# CITY OF HOUSTON

## Job Posting

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1	<b>Applications accepted from:</b>	<b>ALL PERSONS INTERESTED</b>
2	<b>Job Classification</b>	<b>SEMI-SKILLED LABORER (Tree Climber)</b>
3	<b>Posting Number</b>	<b>PN # 109564</b>
4	<b>Department</b>	<b>PARKS AND RECREATION</b>
5	<b>Division</b>	<b>GROUNDS MAINTENANCE</b>
6	<b>Section</b>	<b>URBAN FORESTRY</b>
7	<b>Reporting Location</b>	<b>Memorial*</b>
8	<b>Workdays &amp; Hours</b>	<b>M - F, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.*</b>
		<b>*Subject to change</b>

9    **DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

The individual will trim trees such as aesthetic, hazard, cultural and structural pruning. Will also assist with the removal of dead and/or dangerous trees. Will safely climb trees using ropes and saddles and must have considerable knowledge of safety knots such as the taut-line hitch, running bowline and the bullet. Responsible for the maintenance and care of all assigned equipment such as chainsaws and climbing gear. Will skillfully use various tree trimming techniques while observing and following all recognized safety standards. Must be able to work after normal business hours, weekends and holidays as needed. Perform other duties as assigned.

10    **WORKING CONDITIONS**

This position requires extensive, near-continuous physical exertion such as repeated lifting of very heavy objects (more than 80 pounds), deep bending, climbing trees and/or assuming awkward positions. Will be required to work outdoors the year-round.

11    **MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Ability to read, write, add, subtract and follow oral and/or basic written instructions as might normally be acquired through 9 to 11 years of formal schooling.

12    **MINIMUM EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Six (6) months of related experience are required.

13    **MINIMUM LICENSE REQUIREMENTS**

Must have a valid Texas Drivers license and comply with the city’s policy on driving (AP 2-2).

14    **PREFERENCES**

Experience in climbing trees using ropes and saddles. Knowledge of tree varieties and trimming techniques.

15    **SELECTION/SKILLS TESTS REQUIRED**    None

16    **SAFETY IMPACT POSITION**    ☒ Yes    ☐ No

If yes, this position is subject to random drug testing and if a promotional position, candidate must pass an assignment drug test.

17    **SALARY INFORMATION**

Factors used in determining the salary offered include the candidate’s qualifications as well as the pay rates of other employees in this classification. The minimum to midpoint of this salary range is:

**Salary Range - Pay Grade 6**  
\$617 - \$846 Biweekly    \$16,042 - \$21,996 Annually

18    **OPENING DATE**    March 29, 2006

19    **CLOSING DATE**    April 4, 2006

20    **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

Original applications only and resumes are accepted and must be received by the Human Resources Department during posting opening and closing dates shown, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at 611 Walker St., 1<sup>st</sup> floor. **Our TDD (Telephone Device for the Deaf) phone number is (713) 837-9471. For application status inquiries, please call (713) 845-1056. All new and rehires must pass a pre-employment drug test and are subject to a physical examination and verification of information provided.**

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